

ABERAYRON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council of Aberayron.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my annual report for the year ending 31st December, 1949, for the Urban District of Aberayron.

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area (in acres) 348.

Population (Census 1931) 1155.

Estimated Population (Mid-year 1949) 1360.

Number of inhabited houses (end of 1949) according to Rate Books 523

Rateable Value. £5166-0-0.

Sum represented by a penny rate £21-10-0.

Extracts from the Vital Statistics of the Year.

	<u>Total</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>
Live Births (Legitimate	9	7	2
(Illegitimate	2	1	1
Birth Rate per 1000 of the estimated population	8.09		
Still Births	-	-	-
Deaths	31	17	14.
Death Rate per 1000 of the estimated population	22.794		
Deaths from Puerperal causes	-	NIL.	
Death Rate of Infants under one year of age	-	NIL.	
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	-	NIL.	
Deaths from Whooping Cough	-	NIL.	
Deaths from Infantile Diarrhoea	-	NIL.	

General Provisions of Health Services in the Area.

1. Public Health Officers of the Authority.

(a) Medical: Part time Medical Officer of Health.

(b) Others: Sanitary Inspector who holds joint appointment under the Aberayron Urban, Aberayron Rural and New Quay Urban District Councils.

2. Nursing in the Home: General.

A fully trained nurse is employed by the Cardiganshire County Council and her services are available for midwifery and home nursing.

Infectious Diseases: There are no special arrangements.

3. Midwife

Arrangements are as stated under "General Nursing".

4. Poor Law Medical Out-Relief:

Administered by the County Council.

5. Laboratory Facilities.

The Emergency Public Health Laboratory Service at Aberystwyth carries out clinical and bacteriological investigations for the area and also the bacteriological examination of water and milk.

6. Hospitals. Urban

There is a hospital in the/district which is under the control of the Welsh Regional Hospital Board. It has 12 beds, 6 male

and 6 female, for the treatment of medical cases from the surrounding district.

7. Maternity and Nursing Homes

NIL: Maternity cases are admitted to the Maternity Home at Aberystwyth.

8. Maternal Mortality

Arrangements for the investigation of cases of maternal mortality and morbidity are the responsibility of the County Council. There were no maternal deaths during 1949.

9. Institutional provision for the care of unmarried mothers, illegitimate infants and homeless children.

No provision is made by this Council.

10. Ambulance Facilities.

The Ambulance Service is the responsibility of the County Council.

11. Clinics and Treatment Centres.

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres ... NIL.

Antenatal clinics ... NIL

School Clinics ... NIL

Orthopaedic Clinics ... NIL

Tuberculosis Clinics: The Tuberculosis Officer holds a clinic at Aberayron Hospital twice every month.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

WATER

The Aberayron Urban District Reservoir receives its supply from the main reservoir at Bwlchecastell, Cilcennin, which is fed by a series of springs. Distribution is by means of cast iron mains. The water is of a satisfactory quality, its quantity being unsatisfactory. The water is plumbo-solvent and the use of lead pipes is prohibited.

RIVERS AND STREAMS.

No action was taken.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

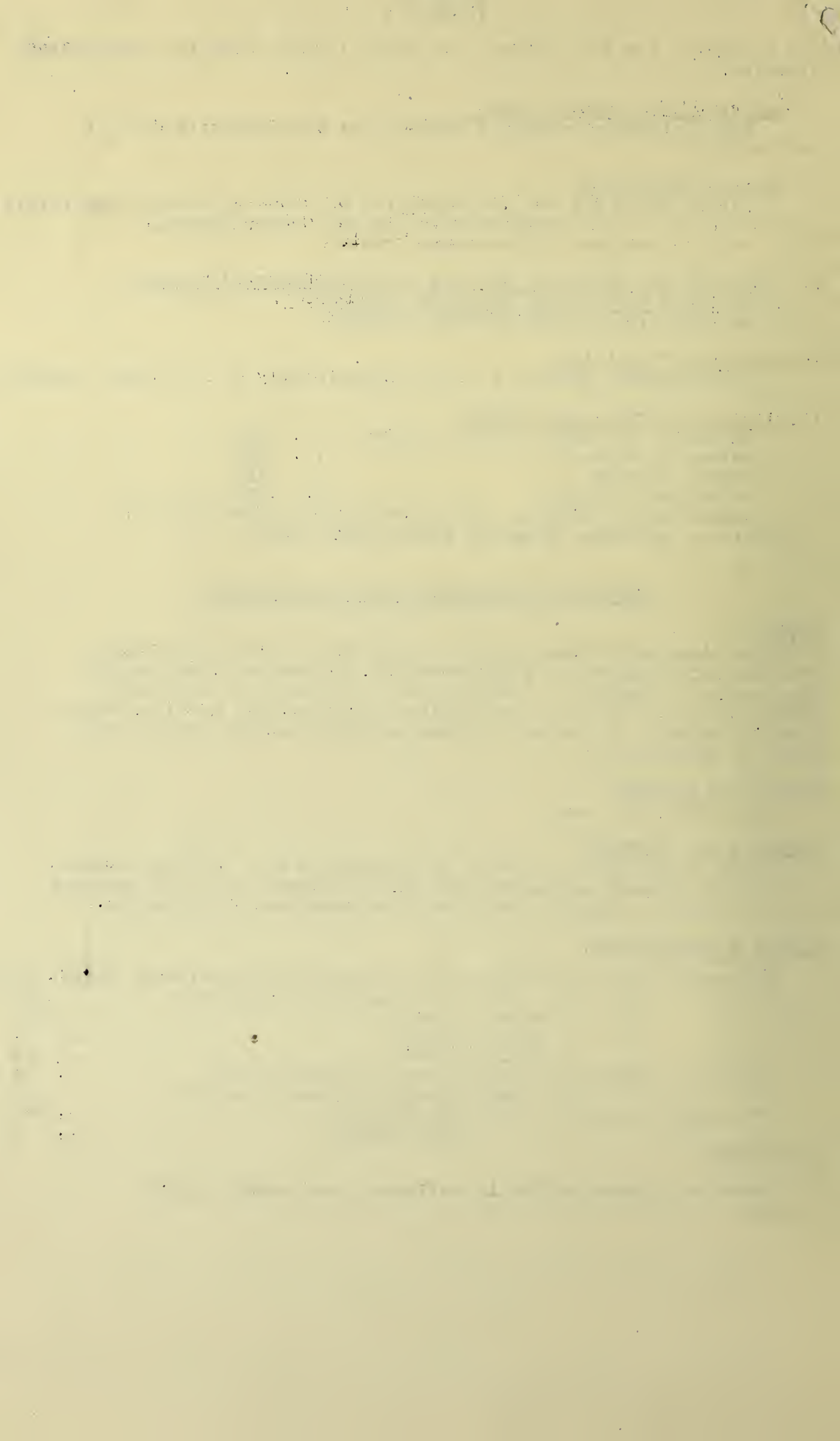
Part of the Urban district is provided with a sewerage scheme. A proposed sewerage scheme for the whole district has been prepared by the Council's Engineer which will be submitted for approval.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Estimated number of Privies with fixed Receptacles(Privy Pits) ..	243
" " " " " moveable receptacles ...	30
" " " Water Closets ..	220
" " " Earth Closets ..	9
" " " Elsan Closets ..	10
Number of conversions-Privy Pits to Water Closets ..	16
" " " Pail Closets to Water Closets ..	2
New Houses completed with Pail Closets ..	NIL.
" " " " Water Closets ..	2.

Scavenging

House and garden refuse is collected once weekly by the Council.



Sanitary Inspection of the Area

Number of inspections of Dwelling Houses	.....	20.
Number of inspections of Dairies	.....	2.
Number of inspections of Workshops and Bakehouses	.....	16.
Number of inspections of meat shops	.....	10.
Number of houses visited upon Notification of Inf. Diseases.		-
Number of houses disinfected after Infectious Diseases		-

Notices under the Public Health Act, 1936.

Number of informal notices served	.....	8.
" " " " " complied with	..1.	8
Number of Statutory Notices served	.....	-

New Buildings; The following is a summary of the Plans of new houses approved by you and of the inspections made by the building inspector during the year:

Number of Plans of New Buildings approved of	.....	2.
Number of Plans of Alterations and Additions approved of	...	6.
Number of inspections of damp-proof courses	.....	2.
Number of inspections of concrete underneath floors	.....	2.
Number of inspections of Drains	.....	6.

Smoke Abatement

No cause for action during the year.

Rag Flock Acts 1911 and 1928:

There are no premises in the area where Rag Flock is used manufactured or sold.

Eradication of Bed Bugs:

It was not found necessary to take any action.

Camping Sites

Number of sites which were used for camping purposes during the year ... 3.

Number of camping sites in respect of which licences were issued by the local authority under Section 269 of the Public Health Act 1936 ... NIL.

Estimated Maximum number of campers resident in the area at one time during the summer period ... 30.

HOUSINGInspection of Dwelling Houses

- 1(a) Total number of dwellings inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health and Housing Acts). 3.
- (b) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 2.

2. Remedy of defects without service of Formal Notices.

Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers 2.

3. Action Under Statutory Powers during the Year.A. Proceedings under Sections 9, 11 & 12 of the Housing Act 1936.

(i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... Nil.

(ii) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices

- (a) by owners ... Nil
- (b) by l.a. in default of owners ... Nil.



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B. Proceedings under the Public Health Act, 1936.

- (i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied -
- (ii) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices
- (a) By owners -
- (b) By local authority in default of owners -

C. Proceedings under Section 11 of the Housing Act 1936 -

D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936 -

4. Housing Act 1936 - OVERCROWDING.

A survey was not carried out.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.(a) Milk Supply

There are two milk retailers and their premises registered by this Council, the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries being responsible for the registration etc., of dairy farmers under the new Milk Regulations of 1949.

(b) Meat and other foods(i) Action taken with regard to the Inspection of Meat

A systematic inspection of meat is carried out by the Meat Inspectors at the Ministry of Food Distributing Centre at Lampeter.

(ii) Adulteration

Action taken under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938 None.

CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

All bacteriological examinations are carried out by the Emergency Public Health Laboratory at Aberystwyth and are forwarded direct to the laboratory by general practitioners. This service is much appreciated.

Antitoxin: Antitoxin is supplied free to practitioners by the Emergency Public Health Laboratory.

Immunisation: Immunisation is carried out by the general practitioners, the immunising agent being supplied free by the E. P.H. Laboratory.

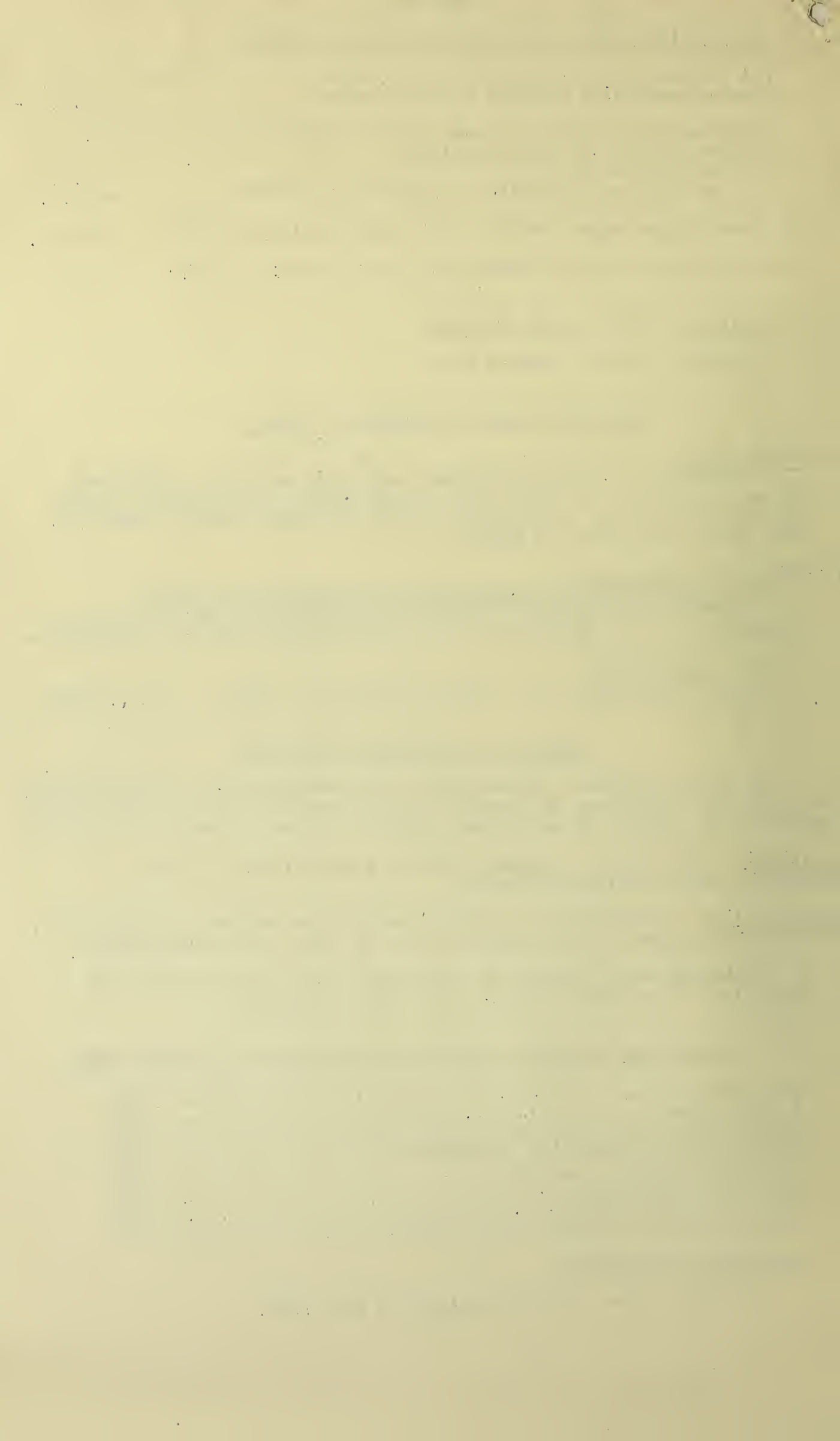
No facilities are provided by the Council for the cleansing and disinfecting of verminous persons and their belongings.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING 1949.

Small Pox.....	NIL.
Scarlet Fever.....	NIL.
Diphtheria.....	NIL.
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid).....	NIL.
Puerperal Fever.....	NIL.
Puerperal Sepsis.....	NIL.
Other Maternal Causes.....	NIL.
Other diseases generally notifiable.....	NIL.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum

No cases were notified during the year 1949.



Tuberculosis

New cases and Mortality during 1949NIL.

No action was taken under Article 5 of the Public Health
(Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925.

No action was taken under Section 62 of the Public Health
Act, 1925.

Your obedient Servant,

E.L.DAVIES.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

